

## **Policy 302.1 – Sports**

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Approved By:

### **I. POLICY**

The University of Montana Western offers a variety of intercollegiate athletic programs that provide student athletes with the opportunity to compete with other student athletes from other institutions with similar governance and philosophy.

### **II. PURPOSE**

The athletic program is designed to enhance the educational mission of the institution and to provide a basis for institutional and community spirit.

### **III. PROCEDURES**

The intercollegiate athletic program at UMW is governed by the National Association for Intercollegiate Athletics (NAIA) and the Frontier Conference (football, basketball, golf & volleyball); the National Intercollegiate Rodeo Association (NIRA) and the Big Sky Conference (rodeo); the Intercollegiate Horse Show Association (IHSA), Zone 8, Region 3 (equestrian); and the policies of the Montana University System. The program offerings are:

Sports for Women

Volleyball  
Basketball  
J.V. Basketball  
Rodeo  
Equestrian

Sports for Men

Football  
Basketball  
J.V. Basketball  
Rodeo  
Equestrian

Athletics is an administrative department under the Athletic Director reporting to the Chancellor. The program is designed to enhance the educational mission of the institution and to provide a basis for institutional and community spirit.

### **IV. AUTHORITY**

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### **V. RESPONSIBILITY**

Chancellor, Athletic Director, Associate Athletic Director, Athletic Coaches